

The Evening Herald wishes you a Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

FOR Once the Weather
Man Guessed Right
— the Lobster.

day in the year we
celebrate and That's
Christmas. No
Herald Tomorrow.

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DEADLY COLD OVER EAST WAR ZONE FOG IN WEST

Elements Combine Over War
Torn Europe to Make Fighting
All But Impossible On
Christmas Eve.

LITTLE CHANGE IN ANY IMPORTANT POSITIONS

French While Claiming Advance
Show That Every Offense Is Being Met By Counter Offense From Germans.

AUSTRIAN SUBMARINE NOSES FRENCH CRUISER

England Shocked Again Today
When Hostile Aeroplane
Drop Bombs Into Dover and
Sail Away.

London, Dec. 24 (12:30 p. m.)—An official statement given out in Paris today says that an Austrian submarine torpedoed a French armored cruiser in the gulf of Oran.

The battleship was damaged only slightly. No one was injured.

Paris, Dec. 23.—An official communication issued today by the French minister of marine says:

"An Austrian submarine fired two torpedoes at a French armored cruiser in the strait of Oran, one of them exploding forward. The damage done to the vessel was unimportant. None of the cruiser's crew was injured."

London, Dec. 24 (12:30 p. m.)—A hostile aeroplane dropped 7 bombs over Dover this morning and then disappeared, according to a statement made this afternoon by the official bureau. No damage was done.

The German raid from the air on the city of Dover is the first news of an authentic character of any hostile air craft visiting Great Britain. The machine today came from the direction of Kent and was flying very high. It was not sighted from Dover until it suddenly emerged from the clouds. Apparently Dover castle was the objective of the raid, for the bomb thrown from the aeroplane fell in the garden in the rear of St. James' rectory, which is located in front of the castle. The windows in the rectory and some in the houses immediately surrounding the rectory were broken.

Fog made easy the escape of the hostile aircraft. Immediately he had dropped his bomb the pilot started straight across the channel. Two British aeroplanes went up in an endeavor to catch the raider, but the hostile ship had too much start and could not be overtaken.

London, Dec. 24 (12:30 p. m.)—Christmas Eve finds little change in the underground warfare now being conducted in the western theater of the war, where General Joffre, the commander in chief of the French armies, still appears to be cautiously feeling for an opening in this strongly entrenched German line across France and Belgium.

In the east a supreme German effort continues to be made before Warsaw, the capital of Russian Poland, where the forces of the German center and of the Russians seeking to check them, sway back and forth along the banks of the rivers barring the way to the Polish capital.

The Russians claim successes in the latest encounters but during the last ten days the Germans have advanced appreciably and it is said they are now bringing up their 42-centimeter guns preparatory to siege operations.

In Galicia the Austro-German forces seem to have made no further progress and in the north Russians are reported to have pushed the invaders further back into East Prussia.

Petrograd has never concealed that the occupation of Lods by the Germans had any strategic

TODAY'S WAR SUMMARY.

Today's official statements reveal the intense nature of the fighting now in progress both east and west, but indicate that, with the possible exception of east Prussia, there has been no significant change in the alignment of the opposing forces.

The German statement tells of a fight for possession of a trench in France which was won by the French, recaptured by the Germans and finally abandoned. So fierce was the struggle that the trench was almost leveled by artillery fire. No important movements are reported in the German communication.

The French statement, while saying that small gains have been made here and there, mentions German attacks at so many points that it is apparent the allies have not been permitted solely to take the offensive into their own hands. Such ground as they have won recently is not to be held without hard fighting.

The fighting in Poland has become most severe and at points along the line west of Warsaw the issue is being fought out with bayonets. The Berlin war office states that the Russian advance in east Prussia has been checked and that the Russians at Miawa in Poland near the Prussian border have been defeated.

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of Oran, near the southern end of Italy was torpedoed by an Austro-submarine. It is stated that the damage was slight and that no men were injured.

Although accounts vary as to the present status of military affairs in Poland, it is evident that the scene of heaviest fighting has shifted southward from Sochaczew, the town on the Bzura river, thirty miles from Warsaw toward which the Germans for several days directed their principal efforts.

Austro-German forces operating from the Cracow base are attempting to push northward into Poland. In this effort, however, they are meeting with determined resistance from the Russians.

A semi-official statement from Petrograd says that Russian successes in Galicia continue and that in the Carpathians the Austrians have been thrown back. Another sortie by the garrison at Premysl which has long been under attack by the Russians is said to have resulted disastrously for the Austrians.

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IN THE SLAUGHTER PEN

PARIS, DEC. 21 (12:30 P. M.)—GENERAL JOFFRE, THE FRENCH COMMANDER IN CHIEF, SAID TO COLONELS IGNACE AND YARDE-BULLER, THE RUSSIAN AND ENGLISH MILITARY ATTACHES AT THE FIELD HEADQUARTERS OF THE FRENCH ARMY, THREE OR FOUR DAYS AGO: "COME WITH ME AND YOU WILL SEE SOMETHING NEVER SEEN IN WAR."

THE ATTACHES ACCOMPANIED THE GENERAL TO A PLACE NEAR THE LINES NOT FAR FROM AGRAS. THERE 600 PIECES OF HEAVY ARTILLERY WERE PLACED IN A POSITION SO AS TO REAR UPON A COMPARATIVELY SHORT PLEXUS OF GERMAN ENTRENCHMENTS.

THE RANGES ALREADY HAD BEEN FOUND ON A WORD FROM GENERAL JOFFRE, REPEATED BY HIS ATTACHES TELEPHONICALLY. THE 600 PIECES OPENED A SUSTAINED FIRE UPON THE GERMAN WORKS AND THE SPACES JUST BEHIND THEM.

AFTER 3 QUARTER OF AN HOUR THE FRENCH INFANTRY CHARGED. NOT A HOSTILE SHOT MET THEM; NOT A RAYON GLEAMED OVER THE EDGE OF THE WORKS. THE TRENCHES ACTUALLY WERE TORN TO PIECES AS THOUGH BY GIGANTIC PLOW SHARPS.

DEAD AND WOUNDED, HALF BURIED, LITTERED THE LINE WHERE FORMERLY HAD BEEN THE TRENCHES. THE FEW ALIVE WERE STRUGGLING TO FREE THEMSELVES FROM HEAPS OF EARTH. THOSE WHO HAD TRIED TO RUN WERE CAUGHT BY THE HORRIBLE SPRAY OF BURSTING SHELLS IN THE REAR OF THE GERMAN TRENCHES PROBABLY NOT A MAN DEFENDING THAT PART OF THE LINE ESCAPED.

FLOOD IN ARIZONA GROWS WORSE AND WORSE

Gila Rising Every Hour and
People in Many Villages
Warned to Take to the Hills—
sides Damage Heavy.

Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 24.—Residents of Buckeye, Saguaro, Arlington, Wellton and other towns on the Gila river began seeking higher ground today as a result of warnings issued by the weather bureau that the river, already at the highest stage known, would continue to rise. All rivers in the southern and central sections of the state were still rising rapidly today, under the effects of the heavy rains, which entered upon their eighth consecutive day with no sign of abating.

SANTA CRUZ BECOMES A SURE ENOUGH RIVER

Tucson, Ariz., Dec. 24.—The Santa Cruz river, hitherto called "river" by courtesy of the map makers, is on its way to becoming a genuine stream. The San Pedro river west of Tucson is a stream nearly a mile wide. Other streams are swollen in proportion, railroad tracks have been washed out, buildings flooded or carried away and property damaged to the extent of thousands of dollars as the result of seven days of rain throughout southern Arizona.

National guardmen returning to Tucson early today confirmed reports that two Mexicans had been drowned in the Santa Cruz river at Saffordia. The militiamen said it had been reported that other lives had been lost in the flooded districts.

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NO WAR NEWS FROM ENGLAND TOMORROW

London, Dec. 24 (12:30 p. m.)—The press information bureau in London is to be closed from 3 o'clock this afternoon until 5 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, and during this 24 hours no official news will be given out. In London, has been unusually quiet after the morning and afternoon papers not to publish tomorrow.

Christmas day.

BRITISH COLLIES VIOLATE THE CANAL QUARANTINE RULES

Washington, Dec. 24—British collies in the canal zone recently have violated quarantine regulations, according to the Canal Record of December 16, just received here, but no mention is made of alleged infractions.

From December 5 to 18, six British collies and two British merchant vessels arrived at Cristobal on the Atlantic and Balboa on the Pacific side without bills of health, in violation of quarantine regulations. Fines of \$25 were imposed on the Kodian and the Kirkland, which brought coal from England and Wales. These were allowed to proceed through the canal and detained at Balboa until the district court had acted. The merchant steamers Syrena and Atlantic City, sugar laden, were fined \$25 each. The collier Mollina, also coal laden, was fined \$20, and the Lenore and the Boyd, with coal from Wales, were fined \$10 each.

All or the six coal shipments were consigned to the British admiralty.

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reached Nogales after temporary track repairs had been made.

For 24 hours passengers of this train were given food and shelter where they were given food and shelter.

After it encountered flooded tracks

Nogales was still isolated today from communication with surrounding towns.

FRANCE GOES ITS LIMIT FOR MEN AT FRONT

Christmas Day On the Firing
Line Will Be As Cheerful As
Love and Self-Denial of
Those At Home Can Make It.

UNOFFICIAL TRUCES MAY BE DECLARED

Believed That Where French
and German Trenches Are
Close Together Men Will
Refuse to Fight.

PARIS, Dec. 24 (12:30 p. m.)—Christmas will be as cheerful as love and self-denial of those at home can make it.

Text of the Decision.

The decision contained less than a dozen sentences. It read:

ARIZONA PROHIBITION LAW ORDERED INTO EFFECT ON JANUARY 1 BY U. S. COURT

Los Angeles, Dec. 24.—The Arizona prohibition law will go into effect January 1st. The special United States tribunal from which injunctions were sought to prevent its enforcement refused to issue such injunctions, in a brief decision rendered today. Appeal to the United States supreme court will be taken at once.

We have listened to the able arguments in this case with care and attention and would like to review and discuss them fully, but time will not permit. In cases like this, where a court is asked to interfere with a state law, the evidence should be particularly clear and convincing. This was not the case in the present instance and the injunctions prayed for are therefore in each and every case denied.

There were four applications for injunction, one was filed by Rev. Mr.

Thomas M. Connolly, a Catholic priest of Tucson, and for other petitioners, made a motion to stay the execution of the law, pending the outcome of the appeal to the United States supreme court. This motion was denied, thus clearing the way for the law to become effective on the date set, January 1.

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SCOTT SEES END OF HIS MISSION ON BORDER

Chief of Staff Goes Out Today
to Meet Maytorena, Expecting
to Reach Solution of
Naco Difficulty.

WEST COAST MEXICANS WEARY OF FIGHTING

Soldiers Sell Their Guns and
Ammunition in Order to Get
Almost Worthless Money
and a Little Food.

CHRISTMAS TREE PROGRAM GOES ON IN SPITE OF WEATHER

John Muir--Great
Naturalist Is
Dead

Los Angeles, Dec. 24.—John Muir, the naturalist, died in a hospital here today of pneumonia. He was 76 years of age.

Mr. Muir was visiting his daughter, Mrs. Helen Muir Frank, at Daggett, a town in the desert of San Bernardino county.

He was stricken with pneumonia last week. Doctors from Los Angeles were called into consultation Tuesday and it was determined to bring him to this city for treatment.

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Committees in Charge Will
Carry Out Plans As An-
nounced This Afternoon
Whether Snow Continues or
Not.

WEATHER MAN'S GROUCH CANNOT SPOIL THE FUN

Albuquerque's municipal Christmas tree program will proceed right on schedule time and no loss to official announcement, in spite of the growing disposition of the weather man.

This announcement was made this afternoon by the general committee, as it began to appear quite certain that the snow storm, which began early this morning, was likely to continue through the afternoon and into the night.

Promptly at 1 o'clock, with all arrangements complete, the committee will begin the distribution of candy to the little children under six and at the distribution to the larger children will start. The snow, it is feared, will keep many children away, since it is a particularly disagreeable and very wet snow, but the arrangements are on too large a scale to alter merely because of a little weather.

General Hill, who has been in charge of the program, said that another meeting with Hill may result in the concerted solution of the problem created by continued Mexican fire across the border.

WEST COAST MEXICANS WEARY OF FIGHTING

On Board U. S. S. San Diego, Mazatlan, Mexico, Dec. 22—via wireless to San Diego, Cal., Dec. 24.—In the hope of raising forces to check Villa's movement on the west coast of Mexico, General Jason Carranza, brother of General Venustiano Carranza, left Mazatlan today aboard the Mexican gunboat Guerrero, for Salina Cruz. Carranza's departure followed upon a conference held with General Hill.

Loyalty on the Guerrero to the Carranza party was considered so uncertain that a military guard was assigned to keep the crew from mutiny.

Interest in any further fighting along the Pacific coast has died out and the soldiers are selling their ammunition and arms. Troops stationed at Mazatlan have destroyed the fortifications. Quiet prevails along the entire coast and it is freely reported that the Carranza chief is preparing to leave the country.

One of the effects of the long drawn out warfare has been the diminution of Mexican money, until now peso today in Mazatlan is worth only fifteen cents American.

The assistance of the U. S. American fleet was required to extricate Capt. Juan from an embarrassing situation in Salina Cruz today. A Mexican general who had been drinking detained the vessel when she put in at that port, demanding transportation for his troops and horses. When the Juan Juan had been disengaged on board, however, the cruiser Raleigh was seen approaching, and the general hastily withdrew his request.

MAGEE TRADED TO BOSTON TODAY BY BAKER

Hardhitting Outfielder for
Philadelphia Nationals
Brings "Cash and Some
Players."

Philadelphia, Dec. 24.—Sherwood Magee, the hard-hitting outfielder of the Philadelphia National club, was today traded to the Boston Nationals for cash and some players.

The deal was put through at a meeting held in New York today by President W. F. Baker of the Philadelphia club and President James Gaffney of the Boston.